

AMENDMENTS

ITEM 3.2: THEMED DEBATE – Taking Southwark forward: a fairer and greener borough for all

(see pages 12-15 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT A

Moved: Councillor Hamish McCallum

Amend the title to “**Demand Better for Southwark**”

Delete all and **replace** with:

1. Council assembly notes that Labour is failing to tackle the climate emergency:
 - a. It took two and a half years for the Labour administration to publish its climate change strategy (which environmental campaigners then slammed).
 - b. The Labour London Mayor has delivered neither the Rotherhithe to Canary Wharf Bridge nor the Bakerloo line extension; abolished the low emissions RV1 bus route and is cutting other local bus services.
 - c. The council’s plan to build 500 cycle hangars by March 2022 will only provide space for around 3,000 bikes in Southwark, far short of the 8,000 people on our waiting list last year.
 - d. Southwark Labour councillors have repeatedly voted against increased protection for our parks and green spaces, and have instead supported development on much-needed green space such as Jocelyn Street Park.
2. Council assembly observes that Labour is not listening to what residents want:
 - a. It demolished or sold close to 4,000 council homes between 2010 and 2020. It only built around 1,000 social rent homes in that time.
 - b. The housing ombudsman ranked Southwark as one of the worst landlords in England for dealing with mould and damp.
 - c. Its street cleaning budget for 2022-23 was 26% lower than it was in 2010 in real terms.
 - d. It had the 11th highest number of fly-tipping incidents per 1,000 people nationally.

- e. Between 2014 and 2021, the council spend on customer services fell by 41%.
 - f. Its repair contact centre missed its target to answer 70% of calls within two minutes in four of five years between 2016-2020.
 - g. It slashed community warden numbers by 74% from 2010 to 2021.
3. Council Assembly notes that Labour is letting Southwark down and only the Liberal Democrats have a plan to demand better for Southwark by:
- a. Formally protecting and enhancing our green spaces. The Liberal Democrats would review the site-selection criteria for council-led developments and conduct an audit of all green spaces.
 - b. Planting 100,000 trees across Southwark and by using full powers available to protect mature trees.
 - c. Investing more into retrofitting, insulation and sustainable energy (including community energy projects).
 - d. Ending all direct or indirect pension fund investments in fossil fuels by 2025 and by increasing the fund's allocation into clean energy organisations.
 - e. Immediately implementing all the recommendations of Southwark's Climate Change Citizens Jury that are within the council's capacity; and by working with all stakeholders to improve the Climate Change Strategy so that it delivers the necessary plans to tackle the climate emergency.
 - f. Funding the installation of 100 more cycle-hire docking stations throughout the borough and by providing free membership for Southwark residents.
 - g. Putting Southwark's weight behind plans for a tram that would connect the borough while we await the stalled Bakerloo line project.
 - h. Providing 25km of new cycle lanes across Southwark by 2025.
 - i. Ensuring that installation of electric vehicle (EV) charging points keeps up with demand, and by guaranteeing an EV charging point within 200 metres of every home.
 - j. Requiring developers to provide 50% genuinely affordable homes on all private developments.
 - k. Expanding and accelerating the council's buyback scheme for council housing and by bringing more empty homes back into use.

- l. Introducing a dedicated complex repairs team to deal with disrepair, mould and damp in Southwark's housing.
- m. Boycotting developers or housing associations that have not taken action to support affected leaseholders.
- n. Reintroducing free bulky waste disposal services and by investing in enforcement officers to issue fines against fly tippers.
- o. Doubling the number of litter bins, investing in more street cleaners and by organising community litter-picking days.
- p. Employing 100 community wardens across our hot spots in Southwark.
- q. Boosting recycling rates to at least 60% and by making Southwark the best recycler in London by 2030.
- r. Expanding the council's Hardship Fund to enable any local household to apply for a grant if they are struggling to make ends meet.
- s. Establishing a mental health support package of direct funding and signposting to services, including a specialist counsellor in every school.
- t. Introducing a rent relief fund for local businesses impacted by the pandemic and Brexit.
- u. Creating 5,000 new apprenticeships in Southwark with a focus on digital and green opportunities.
- v. Introducing a consultation guarantee to ensure that local people have a real say in council decisions.
- w. Switching to a committee system to make decisions more democratic and by opening up the council's processes to engage with residents.
- x. Opening community customer-service hubs to enable people to access council services face-to-face.
- y. Improving customer service by guaranteeing that calls to the council are answered promptly and that residents get the advice and support they need.

ITEM 5.2.1: MEMBERS' MOTIONS – ROYAL MAIL (see pages 23-24 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT B

Moved: Councillor Graham Neale

Seconded: Councillor Adele Morris

Delete sections **2b** and **2c**

Insert after paragraph **3b**:

- c) In addition to lobbying for the reopening of the SE22 sorting office, recognise the loss of numerous community post offices in Southwark that started prior to 2010, such as those on Bermondsey Street, Abbey Street, Ilderton Road and Dockhead, and accordingly campaign for the reopening of local post offices across Southwark.

and renumber all paragraphs and sub-paragraphs accordingly.

ITEM 5.2.2: MEMBERS' MOTIONS – SAVING THE BERMONDSEY CARNIVAL
(see pages 24-25 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT C

Moved: Councillor Alice Macdonald

Seconded: Councillor Sunny Lambe

Delete “**Saving the**” from the title and replace with “**Council-supported events and the**”.

1. After 1a, insert:

- b) In the last decade Southwark has developed into one of London’s most vibrant and innovative locations for cultural and event activity.
- c) The Council has faced significant cuts to its funding, with two thirds of government grants cut from the council’s budget by successive Liberal Democrat and Conservative governments, leading to difficult decisions having to be made.
- d) Despite financial and Covid-related challenges, the council continues to support an exciting series of free events, which take place throughout the year. From 2018 to 2022, the council supported 5,500 cultural events.
- e) The commitments made in the 2021-22 Borough Plan that all event grant funding programmes deliver on Southwark Stands Together commitments and to ensure that 100% of funding for events is proportionately reflective of the demographic make-up of the borough.
- f) Welcomes the establishment of the Cultural Celebrations Fund to encourage and promote community engagement and cohesion around the borough. The fund replaced the regular support of a small number of events with open access grants available to all community event organisers. Almost 30,000 people attended events across the borough in 2021-22.
- g) Progress has been made to date, most notably that 27% of the 2021-22 funded event organisers through the Cultural Celebrations Fund came from Black, Asian and minority ethnic backgrounds, sharing 35% of the total grant funding but acknowledges there is more to do to ensure that funding is fully reflective of our population.
- h) It takes a huge amount of effort from organisers and officers to ensure that events can happen in a way that remains respectful to

local residents, and council assembly thanks everyone involved to ensure these events can happen.

2. Delete section 2.

3. Delete 3a and replace with:

- a) Explore ways in which revenue from events can be maximised whilst causing minimal disruption to local residents so that more community events and activities can be funded.
- b) Publish a full list of events that receive funding from the council so that residents can see the diversity of events being funded.
- c) Continue to work to support community events across our borough and ensure a range of events are supported.

ITEM 5.2.6: MEMBERS' MOTIONS – SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITIES IN BOROUGH AND BANKSIDE, AND ST GEORGE'S (see page 31 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT D

Moved: Councillor Helen Dennis

Seconded: Councillor Sirajul Islam

delete all and replace with:

Making Borough and Bankside and St George's fairer, greener and safer

1. Council Assembly observes that the Labour administration has delivered a fairer, greener and safer future for Borough and Bankside and St George's by:
 - a. Spending £350,617 of the administration's Cleaner, Greener, Safer money supporting 49 projects on Borough and Bankside and £227,331 on 31 projects in St George's.
 - b. Delivering 74 new council homes in the area despite the sparsity of available council-owned land so that more families can live in the borough they call home.
 - c. Finding shelter for people sleeping rough by the Imperial War Museum over Christmas 2019, as part of the Council's success in rehousing over 300 rough sleepers into long-term homes.
 - d. Installing a permanent memorial to the London Bridge and Borough Market terror attack victims.
 - e. During Covid-19 lockdowns, distributed food to residents and arranged collections of prescriptions from pharmacies as part of the council's effort to help over 73,000 vulnerable residents through the Covid pandemic.
 - f. Using CGS money to invest in 34 gardening projects and create 10 cycle hangers across the two wards.
 - g. Supporting residents suffering from the impacts of noise on their homes, such as those generated from busking, licensing and construction activities, working collaboratively to mitigate the impact of noise pollution on residents.
 - h. Supported the opening of a pop up LGBT+ cultural space in Bankside

- i. Installing 8 bike hangars in St George's and 7 bike hangers in Borough and Bankside, ensuring that Borough and Bankside residents benefit from two new cycleways with three more due to be completed by May 2022.
 - j. A new school street for Charles Dickens Primary School and Charlotte Sharman Foundation Primary School.
 - k. Supporting the Central School of Ballet to move to Bankside.
 - l. Working with the University of the Arts London (UAL) to secure a permanent home for them at Elephant and Castle.
 - m. Using CIL funding to support a revamp of Marlborough Sports Gardens.
2. To maintain momentum following the good progress already made, Council Assembly therefore calls upon Cabinet to:
- a. Invest over £60m to create a new Northern Line station at Elephant & Castle as part of a 21st century transport hub.
 - b. Continue to lobby for the Bakerloo Line extension so that Borough and Bankside is better connected.
 - c. Campaign for an improved and accessible Elephant and Castle train station
 - d. Complete the build of a permanent LGBTQ+ cultural space at Bankside Yard.
 - e. Ensure that Borough and Bankside and St George's benefits from Southwark Labour's pledge to create more good jobs, cut the council's carbon emission by half, make our streets and estates safer, build more homes local people can afford and support our most vulnerable residents.

ITEM 5.2.7: MEMBERS' MOTIONS – REPRESENTING OUR RESIDENTS: A VIBRANT, GREENER AND SAFER BERMONDSEY (see page 32 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT E

Moved: Councillor Leanne Werner

Seconded: Councillor Leo Pollak

Delete all and replace with:

Making Bermondsey fairer, greener and safer

1. Council Assembly observes that the Labour administration has delivered a fairer, greener and safer future for Bermondsey by:
 - a. Spending £1,272,373 of the administration's Cleaner, Greener, Safer money supporting 154 projects in Bermondsey.
 - b. Delivering 624 new council homes despite the sparsity of council-owned land in Bermondsey to ensure that more families can live in the borough they call home.
 - c. Tackling air pollution on the congested Jamaica Road by delivering Cycleway 4 and investing in cycle hire stands and greenery on the road.
 - d. Renewing street lighting and improved road safety.
 - e. Securing over £2m to transform the Blue in South Bermondsey, upgrading the market and securing a new multi arts centre.
 - f. Using CGS money to invest in 45 gardening projects and create 33 cycle hangers across Bermondsey.
 - g. Delivering new homes in Welsford Street in South Bermondsey with 10 family houses. Also delivering Cherry Gardens School on site with 26 new council homes.
 - h. Working in partnership with Leathermarket JMB in London Bridge and West Bermondsey to deliver 27 new homes at Marklake Court.
 - i. Delivering a new community space and home for our Southwark Young Advisers at 231 Old Kent Road.
 - j. Installed rooftop solar at Ellen Brown Children's Centre as part of delivering our Climate Emergency Strategy.
2. To maintain momentum following the good progress already made, Council Assembly therefore calls upon Cabinet to:
 - a. Deliver major improvements to Guy's Park
 - b. Upgrade Bermondsey Spa Gardens adventure playground with new play equipment.
 - c. Work with residents to deliver major improvements to the Abbeyfield Estate.

- d. Work with the Mayor of London to upgrade South Bermondsey station.
- e. Ensure that Bermondsey benefits from Southwark Labour's pledge to create more good jobs, cut the council's carbon emission by half, make our streets and estates safer, build more homes local people can afford and support our most vulnerable residents.

ITEM 5.2.8: MEMBERS' MOTIONS – PROTECTING AND IMPROVING SURREY DOCKS (see page 33 of the main agenda)

AMENDMENT F

Moved: Councillor Kath Whittam

Seconded: Councillor Bill Williams

Delete all and replace with:

Making Surrey Docks fairer, greener and safer

1. Council Assembly observes that the Labour administration has delivered a fairer, greener and safer future for Surrey Docks by:
 - a. Spending £467,585 of Cleaner, Greener, Safer money supporting 34 projects in Surrey Docks.
 - b. Improving access to full fibre broadband in Rotherhithe, working with providers to extend full fibre to all council estates, and securing new partnership with Openreach to further upgrade full fibre broadband across the Pensisula.
 - c. Supporting local residents with training through the Southwark Construction Skills centre, through its new homes at Canada Water.
 - d. Delivering 3 new bike hangars in Surrey Docks with 2 more completed by May 2022.
 - e. Ensuring that Surrey Docks residents benefit from Quietway 14 and linking Surrey Docks in with the Rotherhithe to Peckham cycleway.
 - f. Delivering more council housing in Surrey Docks including 8 homes at Fisher Close, 16 at Salter Road, 19 at Danny McCarthy House and 79 at Canada Water K1 site all bought through section 106 commitments.
 - g. Using £500,000 of CIL money to refurbish community buildings at the Surrey Docks Farm.
 - h. Allocating £3m to fund improvement works to South Docks Marina, working with berth-holders and the local community to develop the boatyard and marina into a centre of excellence.
2. To maintain momentum following the good progress already made, Council Assembly therefore calls upon Cabinet to:
 - a. Open a new leisure centre at Canada Water and campaign for a pedestrian and cyclist river crossing.
 - b. Create a brand new park within a short walk from Surrey Docks that residents can enjoy.
 - c. Ensure that Surrey Docks benefits from Southwark Labour's pledge to create more good jobs, cut the council's carbon emission by half, make our streets and estates safer, build more homes local people can afford and support our most vulnerable residents.

ITEM 6.1: MEMBER ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2022-2023 (see pages 35-61)

AMENDMENT G

Proposer: Councillor Graham Neale

Seconder: Councillor Maria Linforth-Hall

1. Council Assembly agrees to amend the report “Members Allowances Scheme – Appendix 2” by:
 - a. Deleting paragraphs 49-52.